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Title:

"PURIFICATION OF TAXANES AND

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TAXANE MIXTURES USING

POLYETHENEIMINE-BONDED RESIN"

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Submitted herewith on modified Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to applicants in order to comply with applicant's duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56. Copies of each listed document are enclosed.

Applicants also hereby bring to the attention of the PTO information in the form of an affidavit submitted by Dr. James H. Johnson, Ph.D, a co-inventor of the abovecaptioned application. Dr. Johnson's affidavit describes certain facts relating to Natural Pharmaceuticals Inc.'s purification of paclitaxel using resins described in the present invention.

The submission of any document herewith is not intended as an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application or that such document is considered material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56(b). Applicants do not waive an rights to take any action which would be appropriate to

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antedate or otherwise remove as a competent reference any document which is determined to be a <u>prima facie</u> prior art reference against the claims of the present application.

Timing of the Disclosure

The instant Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of any action on the merits. Accordingly, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97, no certification, petition and fee are required.

Applicants respectfully request that the accompanying affidavit and listed documents be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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